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***AN ACT CONCERNING A PILOT PROGRAM FOSTERING
NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY AND CREATING A SET-ASIDE PROGRAM
FOR PARTICIPANTS IN THE PILOT PROGRAM, AND AUTHORIZING
BONDING FOR RELATED PROJECTS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2016*) (a) There is established a
2 pilot program to foster neighborhood safety in urban environments.
3 The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall select a
4 municipality that has a population of at least one hundred twenty-four
5 thousand, but less than one hundred twenty-five thousand, to
6 participate in the pilot program. The pilot program shall serve as a
7 blueprint for a state-wide reduction of neighborhood violence.
- 8 (b) The pilot program shall be funded by state, federal or private
9 moneys and shall provide and coordinate services, initiatives and
10 programs for persons who are most likely to be perpetrators or victims
11 of gun violence through:
- 12 (1) Program development and implementation, including:
- 13 (A) School-based initiatives to connect students and their families
14 with culturally competent social and economic service opportunities;
15 and

16 (B) Outreach to persons most likely to perpetrate gun violence or be
17 victims of gun violence;

18 (2) Community capacity building, including:

19 (A) Intervention programs designed to assist persons most likely to
20 perpetrate gun violence or be victims of gun violence;

21 (B) Life skills training to foster resilience to risk factors associated
22 with gun violence, including, but not limited to, skills training in anger
23 management and in nonviolent dispute resolution;

24 (C) A fellowship program for young persons identified pursuant to
25 section 2 of this act or by the municipality's police department or
26 community leaders as most likely to be perpetrators or victims of gun
27 violence, who will be provided with support and developmental and
28 leadership opportunities, including, but not limited to, opportunities
29 for personal, social, educational and vocational growth, which
30 program may include a stipend for participants; and

31 (D) A program for persons participating in the fellowship program
32 under subparagraph (C) of this subdivision to mentor other young
33 persons who may be likely to perpetrate gun violence or be victims of
34 gun violence;

35 (3) Service coordination, including:

36 (A) Coordination between the municipality and state agencies to
37 make the best use of resources; and

38 (B) Partnerships between state and national philanthropic
39 organizations to enable state-wide replication and implementation of
40 the program.

41 (c) Not later than January 1, 2018, and not later than January first of
42 each year thereafter if the municipality received state funding for the
43 program during the previous year, the municipality and the Secretary

44 of the Office of Policy and Management shall jointly submit a report in
45 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes
46 to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having
47 cognizance of matters relating to the judiciary and appropriations that
48 details: (1) The number of persons participating in the program; (2) the
49 change in the level of gun-related incidents of violence in the
50 municipality; (3) an evaluation of the services, initiatives and programs
51 described in subsection (b) of this section; (4) the cost of the program in
52 both state and private dollars; and (5) any recommendations to expand
53 the program to other municipalities.

54 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2016*) The local or regional board of
55 education for the municipality participating in the pilot program
56 pursuant to section 1 of this act, shall develop a system to identify
57 children who are at risk to be perpetrators or victims of violence
58 involving a three metrics approach that uses measures of chronic
59 absenteeism, behavioral information, which is primarily based on
60 suspension and expulsion data, and academic issues with primary
61 emphasis on reading and mathematics deficiencies. The board of
62 education shall notify the parent or guardian of any child identified as
63 at risk pursuant to such approach and of any child reentering the
64 school district following a placement or probation through
65 involvement with the juvenile justice system under chapter 815t of the
66 general statutes. Such notification shall request permission for such
67 child to participate in the program established pursuant to section 1 of
68 this act. Any such request shall conform with the Health Insurance
69 Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, P.L. 104-191 (HIPAA), as
70 amended from time to time, and the Family Educational Rights and
71 Privacy Act of 1974, 20 USC 1232g (FERPA), as amended from time to
72 time, and any regulations promulgated thereunder at 34 CFR Part 99.
73 If the parent or guardian grants such permission, such child's name
74 shall be forwarded to the administrators of said program for inclusion
75 in said program. The administrators of said program shall maintain
76 any information pertaining to such child in a secure manner.

77 Sec. 3. (*Effective July 1, 2016*) Notwithstanding any provision of the
78 general statutes, the municipality of Hartford shall, when awarding a
79 municipal public works contract, as defined in section 4a-60g of the
80 general statutes, for a project associated with the (1) Minority
81 Contractors' Urban Home Initiative, (2) Connecticut Equestrian and
82 Exhibition Center, for the Ebony Horsewomen, Inc., or (3) Upper
83 Albany Main Street project, state in its notice of solicitation for
84 competitive bids or request for proposals or qualifications for such
85 contract that the general or trade contractor shall be required to
86 comply with the provisions of section 4a-60g of the general statutes,
87 and the requirements concerning nondiscrimination and affirmative
88 action under sections 4a-60 and 4a-60a of the general statutes and may
89 inquire whether a bidder is a business enterprise that contributes to the
90 pilot program pursuant to section 1 of this act and provides vocational
91 training to young persons participating in the fellowship program
92 under said pilot program. Any contractor awarded a municipal public
93 works contract for such project shall, on the basis of competitive
94 bidding procedures, (A) set aside at least twenty-five per cent of the
95 total value of the state's financial assistance for such contract for award
96 to subcontractors who are small contractors, and (B) of that portion to
97 be set aside in accordance with subparagraph (A) of this subdivision,
98 (i) reserve a portion equivalent to twenty-five per cent of the total
99 value of the contract or portion thereof to be set aside for awards to
100 subcontractors who are minority business enterprises, and (ii) reserve
101 a portion equivalent to ten per cent of the total value of the contract or
102 portion thereof to be set aside for awards to subcontractors who are
103 business enterprises that contribute to the pilot program pursuant to
104 section 1 of this act, provided such subcontractor provides vocational
105 training to young persons participating in the fellowship program
106 under said pilot program and hires at least ten per cent of such young
107 persons to work under such subcontract.

108 Sec. 4. (*Effective July 1, 2016*) (a) For the purposes described in
109 subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have
110 the power from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the

111 state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in
112 the aggregate five hundred thousand dollars.

113 (b) The proceeds of the sale of such bonds, to the extent of the
114 amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the
115 Department of Economic and Community Development for the
116 purpose of a project in the city of Hartford associated with the
117 Minority Contractors' Urban Home Initiative.

118 (c) All provisions of section 3-20 of the general statutes, or the
119 exercise of any right or power granted thereby, that are not
120 inconsistent with the provisions of this section are hereby adopted and
121 shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission
122 pursuant to this section. Temporary notes in anticipation of the money
123 to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be
124 issued in accordance with section 3-20 of the general statutes and from
125 time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times
126 not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be
127 provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State
128 Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. None of such bonds shall
129 be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission
130 that there has been filed with it a request for such authorization that is
131 signed by or on behalf of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and
132 Management and states such terms and conditions as said commission,
133 in its discretion, may require. Such bonds issued pursuant to this
134 section shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and
135 credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the
136 principal of and interest on such bonds as the same become due, and
137 accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of
138 such bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual
139 payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the State
140 Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become
141 due.

142 Sec. 5. (*Effective July 1, 2016*) (a) For the purposes described in
143 subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have

144 the power from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the
145 state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in
146 the aggregate five hundred thousand dollars.

147 (b) The proceeds of the sale of such bonds, to the extent of the
148 amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the
149 Department of Economic and Community Development for the
150 purpose of a project in the city of Hartford associated with the
151 Connecticut Equestrian and Exhibition Center, for the Ebony
152 Horsewomen, Inc.

153 (c) All provisions of section 3-20 of the general statutes, or the
154 exercise of any right or power granted thereby, that are not
155 inconsistent with the provisions of this section are hereby adopted and
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157 pursuant to this section. Temporary notes in anticipation of the money
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163 Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. None of such bonds shall
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171 principal of and interest on such bonds as the same become due, and
172 accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of
173 such bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual
174 payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the State
175 Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become
176 due.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2016</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2016</i>	New section
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2016</i>	New section
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2016</i>	New section
Sec. 5	<i>July 1, 2016</i>	New section

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

The effective date in Section 3 was changed for internal consistency.

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